

A meeting of the Council will be held in the Civic Hall, Leeds on Wednesday, 21st June, 2006 at 2.00 pm

Members of the Council are invited to attend and transact the following business:

1. TO confirm the minutes of the Special Council Meeting on 12th May and of the Annual Council Meeting held on 22nd May 2006

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2. TO receive any declarations of interest from Members
3. TO receive such communications as the Lord Mayor, the Leader, Members of the Executive Board or the Chief Executive consider appropriate
4. TO receive deputations in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10
5. TO consider reports as follows (the Monitoring Officer considers that these reports are appropriate to be received at this meeting in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 2.2(f))

- (a) The Scrutiny Boards' Annual Report to Council prepared in accordance with Article 6 of the Constitution

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- (b) The report of the Director of Legal and Democratic Services on appointments by the Council

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- (c) The report of the Chief Democratic Services Officer on attendance at meetings.

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6. TO deal with questions in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11
7. TO consider the report of the Chief Executive on recommendations of the Executive Board (to follow)

M HARRIS

8. TO consider the report of the Director of Legal and Democratic Services on recommendations of the Standards Committee

J L CARTER

9. TO receive the minutes in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 2.2(l)

M HARRIS

10. White Paper Motion - Post Office Closures

THAT this Council notes with alarming concern that over 2,500 Urban Post Offices have closed under the Government's network reinvention programme. This Council believes that the situation will be made worse when the Government withdraws the Post Office card account, POCA, in 4 years time. This Council believes that the Post Office network provides vital services to local communities in both urban and rural areas and that these are now under serious threat because of the Government's withdrawal date. This Council further calls on all Leeds MPs to oppose the Governments current proposals, and support our local Post Offices.

A CARTER

11. White Paper Motion - Grass Cutting Service

THAT this Council condemns the ruling administration for its continuing failure to provide an adequate grass cutting service in the city.

K WAKEFIELD

12. White Paper Motion - Woodhouse Moor

THAT this Council congratulates the residents of Woodhouse and Hyde Park and their supporters in preserving Woodhouse Moor from the planned car parking scheme; deplors their local Lib-Dem councillors for not listening to their residents views and calls upon the ruling administration to use the £163,000 allocated for the car parking scheme on the refurbishments of Woodhouse Moor.

B ATHA

13. White Paper Motion - Refurbishment of Sports Centres

THAT this Council welcomes the sports centres refurbishment programme and notes the positive impact this will have on local communities, including Morley and fully supports its implementation. This Council recognises the hard work Council Officers and Members have undertaken to deliver this programme.

R FINNIGAN

14. White Paper Motion - Sustainable Communities

THAT this Council supports the concept of local sustainability as envisaged in the Sustainable Communities Bill, namely;

- the promotion of local economies, services and facilities
- the protection of the environment
- the reduction of social exclusion and
- measures to increase involvement in the democratic process

and accordingly resolves to support the Bill which:

- requires the government to assist councils and communities in promoting local sustainability in ways decided by them; and
- sets up a participative process whereby councils and communities can drive the way in which government uses its power and influence to assist with the promotion of local sustainability; and
- notes that this Bill enables Councils to influence how government uses its resources and influence to help councils and communities; and
- specifically provides that where councils decide to take action to promote local sustainability that they should be given the resources to do so

Noting the benefits this Bill will bring to the citizens of Leeds, Council instructs the Chief Executive to write to Local Works, the campaign behind the Bill, expressing its support.

S GOLTON

15. White Paper Motion - "Older Better" Strategy

THAT this Council requests Executive Board to consider 'Older Better', the Leeds strategy to promote healthy and active life in older age, 20 per cent of Leeds citizens are 60 or over, and resolves to ensure they are recognised as active citizens, that their contribution is acknowledged, and their health, wellbeing and independence is promoted.

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